

THE COURTS.

The Erie Litigation—Alleged False Retention of Funds Money—The Right of Bankers to Purchase Stolen Goods—Verdict Against an Insurance Company—An Alleged Fraudulent Deed Case—Business of the General Sessions—Decisions.

The Erie Litigation.
The references before Mr. Kenneth G. White, the master, in relation to the Health and Raphael Erie stock, were read yesterday.

Mr. Edward K. Willard was further examined.
Testified that he had a statement prepared, showing what was done with the shares of Erie stock which passed through his firm, to the extent of 20,000 shares; he had not the books here, only this statement.

Mr. Edward K. Willard suggested an adjournment for two hours to enable Mr. Willard to produce his books.

The Master observed that if there was to be an adjournment for that time there must be an adjournment for the day.

Mr. Lane, of counsel for Erie—I must leave; I must go away.

Mr. Edward K. Willard—You are at liberty to go and stay away as long as you please.

At this stage there was an adjournment for half an hour, and when the half hour had gone by the books were produced, and the examination of the witness was resumed. The result was that about thirty thousand of the shares, which are alleged to have been fraudulently issued by Erie in lieu of the stock claimed by Health and Raphael, were traced out in the books.

The case was adjourned to Monday.

The Suit of L. E. Bowes.

This vessel, which had been sued and seized by the owners of the steamer Europa on a claim for salvage, was then bonded. She has, therefore, been allowed to depart on her voyage to Spain.

UNITED STATES COMMISSIONERS' COURT.

Fraudulent Retention of Pension Money.
Before Commissioner Shields.

The United States vs. M. McNeil.—The defendant, who does business at No. 7 Broad street, and who has been charged with fraudulently retaining pension money belonging to a discharged soldier named William Peacock, was yesterday honorably discharged by Commissioner Shields.

"MURKIN HALL."
Before Commissioner Osborn.

The United States vs. James S. Woodhouse.—The defendant was committed to prison yesterday by the Commissioner, on charges of retaining a sum of money paid him for a number of spicier, an alleged fraudulent bankrupt, as soon as he came in L Union street jail, Woodhouse is held in default of \$4,400 bail.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM.

The Genuineness of Marriage Certificates.

Important Rulings.
Before Judge Cardozo.

Caroline Scott, et al. vs. Theodore Honeycutt, defendant.
In ruling upon this case, the particulars of which have been fully reported in the HERALD, Judge Cardozo said—“The true rule in regard to such motions is, whether upon all the papers, on both sides, the plaintiffs in question such a *prima facie* case as demands that the property should be preserved through the intervention of the court by the appointment of a receiver *pending action*. Ordinarily, when the question of apparent rights depended on whether a marriage certificate would be exhibited, but the circumstances rendering the one relied upon here are such that the court may now, in its judgment or after either side has made known how it stands, that upon this preliminary application the circumstances surrounding the proof of marriage are such as not to justify me in holding it to be so established as to require the court to take such action. The government of state, executive, legislative, judicial—the judiciary, over federal relations, social condition, religion of the state, are some of them represented in the court, and the interests and rights of all are at stake. And to my mind, it is better to let the cause stand as it is, and let the parties litigate our circumstances, than to commit it to a jury.”

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